

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, and 4-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Nishimoto et al. (US 6,444,514 B1) in view of Abedifard (US Pub. 2002/0074592 A1), Claims 3, and 9-11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Nishimoto et al. (US 6,444,514 B1) in view of Abedifard (US Pub. 2002/0074592 A1) as applied to claim 1, and further in view of Hsu et al. (US Pub. 2002/0185673 A1). Claim 8 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

1. Rejection of claims 1-11:

Claim 1 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), for reasons of record that can be found on pages 2-3 in the Office action identified above, which is part of paper No.4.

To overcome this objection, claim 1 has been amended. The limitation in claim 8 that is found allowable by the Examiner has been added into claim 1. No new matter is introduced. Reconsideration of the once-amended claim 1 is therefore respectfully requested.

As claims 2-7 and 9-11 are dependent upon the independent claim 1, they should be allowable if the amended claim 1 is allowed. Reconsideration of claims 2-7 and 9-11 is therefore politely requested.

2. Objections to claims 10 and 11:

Claims 10 and 11 are objected to because of grammatical errors. To overcome this objection, errors in claims 10 and 11 have been corrected. No new matter is introduced.

Reconsideration of the amended claims 10 and 11 is therefore politely requested.

3. Not descriptive title of the invention:

5 In reply to this, a new title has been proposed as set forth in the above AMENDEMENT section. Reconsideration of the new title of the invention is therefore politely requested.

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